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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 97854

1. FOREIGN MINISTER BULA RECEIVED ME AT 10:30 LAST NIGHT (APRIL 28) WHEN, AFTER OPENING CHITCHAT I SAID I WAS SPEAKING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT IMPORTANT ASPECT OF VIETNAM, HE EVEN TURNED HIS RADIO OFF, PRESUMABLY TO GIVE ME HIS FULL ATTENTION. HE HEARD ME OUT, TAKING NOTES, AND THEN ASKED TWO QUESTIONS. WHY WERE THE REFUGEES LEAVING? WHY WERE WE APPROACHING ZAIRE? ON THE FIRST, I TOLD HIM THEY MUST THINK THEY WOULD BE BETTER OFF OUTSIDE OF A COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED VIETNAM. ON THE SECOND, I SAID WE WERE APPROACHING MANY FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS AND THAT WE HOPED ZAIRE WOULD AGAIN DEMONSTRATE HUMANITARIAN COMPASSION.

2. HE SAID HE WOULD SEND THE PRESIDENT A NOTE ON THE SUBJECT.

3. COMMENT: FRANKLY, I DOUBT THAT WE WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS AND I DOUBT EVEN MORE THAT ANY VIETNAMESE
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REFUGEES SHOULD ACTUALLY BE SETTLED HERE BUT IT WAS

RIGHT AND PROPER TO ASK ZAIRE TO HELP AND THERE IS
ALWAYS AN OUTSIDE CHANCE THAT THEY WILL RESPOND.
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